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Subject: Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Regarding Section 10 Authorization
under The Endangered Species Act (ESA) and Idaho Fish and Game
Permitted Recreational Trapping Effects on Lynx

Dear Mr. Ream:

This letter acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated February 25, 2014 for the following documents:

Any and all records related to any discussion, plans, or efforts by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service or Idaho Department of Fish and Game ("IDFG") to obtain authorization pursuant to section 10 of the Endangered Species Act, 16 U.S.C. § 1539(a)(1)(B), for the "take" of any listed species from hunting and/or trapping that is regulated by IDFG, including but not limited to any "incidental take permit" for IDFG, whether actual or theoretical.


Any and all records relating to Fish and Wildlife Service's "follow up with the IDFG to determine the full extent of trapping and the potential impact on lynx due to permitted recreational trapping" as stated in the attached letter from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Idaho State Supervisor Brian Kelly. This includes but is not limited to non-target catches of lynx.

Your request was received in our office on February 25, 2014 and has been assigned the number: FWS-2014-00546. Any future correspondence concerning your request should refer to this number. Due to the need to collect records from other offices, your request will be processed as a **"Complex"**. (43 § CFR 2.15c(3)) We expect to have the documents to you by March 26, 2014.

The FOIA permits documents to be furnished without charge or at a reduced charge if disclosure of the information is (1) in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations and activities of the Government, and (2) not primarily in your commercial interest. Your fee waiver request contains sufficient information to grant the waiver. (43 CFR § 2.45(a))

If you have any questions, please contact Dennis Mackey of our office at (208) 378-5243.

Sincerely,


for Michael Carrier, State Supervisor
Idaho Fish and Wildlife Office